

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING WASTES BY GASIFICATION Rule 1.53(b) Divisional of Serial No. 09/234,634, Filed January 21, 1999

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly amend the above application as follows:

## IN THE TITLE

Please change the title of the invention to --APPARATUS FOR TRADING WASTES BY GASIFICATION--.

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 1, after the title insert -- The present application is a Division of application Serial No. 09/234,634 filed January 21, 1999, that is a Continuation of application Serial No. 08/757,452 filed November 27, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,900,224 --;

line 14, change "industry" --industries--;

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